



## TECHNICAL MEMORANDUM

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**Date:** May 19, 2022

**To:** Placer County Environmental Health  
3091 County Center Drive; Suite 180  
Auburn, CA 95603

**Subject: Project 8 (PLN21-00198) – Anticipated On-Site Sewage Flows**

As shown in REV-B of the septic feasibility report (appended hereto as Attachment C), dated March 21<sup>st</sup>, 2022, and generated by Lindbloom Septic Design, Inc., two areas, or zones, within the project boundary have been deemed suitable for on-site septic disposal. These zones, identified as “West” and “East”, have the capability of disposing of 4,134 gallons per day (gal/day) and 4,421 gal/day of effluent flow respectively. The “West” zone is located below the Antelope Canal and at a lower elevation than that of the wine cave floor and the lower warehouse/processing building. The “East” zone is located downslope of the top of the property and at an elevation beneath that of the tasting room building and upper processing area.

This information presents two options for the eventual design of the Project 8 septic system. The first option would be a design consisting of a system resulting in  $\leq 2,500$  gal/day of sewage flow with a single primary leach field in the “West” zone. The “East” zone would be designated for repair and would remain undisturbed until such time the primary system became compromised, and the repair area needed to be utilized in its place.

The second option would be a design consisting of two smaller systems. In this case there would be primary and repair leach areas designated in both the “West” and “East” zones. Each system would be designed to maximize effluent flow to the primary area while maintaining adequate area for repair and adequate separation between the primary and repair areas. The areas designated for repair in this case would also remain undisturbed until such time the primary system became compromised, and the repair areas became necessary for use.

Anticipated sewage flows are shown in Attachment A.

As shown in Attachment A, the total anticipated sewage flow for Project 8 is 3,525 gal/day. On this basis, the second of the aforementioned design options is proposed for meeting the Project 8 sewage flow demand. This will result in the design and installation of two on-site septic systems in the zones designated within the septic feasibility report. Each system will be designed to accommodate approximately 1,800-2,000 gal/day of sewage flow. This represents less than half of their respective maximum disposal capacities thus allowing for designated repair areas in each zone with additional margin.

Additional measures can also be taken during the detailed design phase of the on-site system(s) to further ensure adequate sewage disposal capacity is provided such as pre-treatment of effluent flows, temporary on-site storage, incorporation of a grease interceptor placed in-line with sewage generated by food preparation, and installation of automatically controlled and ultra-low flow plumbing fixtures.

Ultimately, the detailed design of the on-site septic system(s) to be installed for Project 8 will be carried out by qualified individuals during the construction document phase of the project. The final proposed design will, of course, then be evaluated by County staff as part of the permit review process. We and our consultants have a very high level of confidence moving forward that the anticipated effluent sewage flows generated by the project will be suitably accommodated by the system(s) that will result from that process.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Evan Mackenzie', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Evan Mackenzie  
Engineering Manager  
Building Engineering & Maintenance, Inc.

# ATTACHMENT A: Anticipated Sewage Flows

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## Anticipated On-Site Sewage Flows

Source of Flow	Design Flow <sup>1</sup> Gallons per Day (gpd)	Qty	Subtotal
Accessory Restaurant	50 (per seat)	32	1600
Wine Tasting	5 (per person)	50	250
Event Hosting	5 (per person) <sup>2</sup>	200 <sup>3</sup>	1000
Employees	15 (per person)	15	225
Caretaker's Residence	150 (per bedroom)	3	450
<b>Total Anticipated Sewage Flow (Gallons per Day):</b>			<b>3525</b>

1. Design flows per Placer County LAMP On-Site Sewage Manual and Placer County Code Section 17.56.330 (Wineries & Farm Breweries)
2. 5 gpd/person used per direction from Laura Rath in email dated 5/10/2022 (see Attachment B)
3. Maximum Special Event attendees used as worst-case scenario as Special Events and Ag-Promo events will not occur on the same day

## ATTACHMENT B: Email Correspondence (L. Rath)

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### Evan Mackenzie

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**From:** Laura Rath <LRath@placer.ca.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 10, 2022 3:31 PM  
**To:** Evan Mackenzie  
**Subject:** RE: Penryn Winery CUP (PLN21-00198), Comments on 3rd Submittal

Hi Evan,

Thank you for taking the time to discuss the proposed sewage flows for the Penryn 8 Winery. Outlined below are the gallon per day (gpd) requirements for each of your proposed uses:

50 gpd/ restaurant seat  
5 gpd/ wine taster  
5 gpd/ event attendee (ag event and special event)  
15 gpd/ employee  
150 gpd/ bedroom for residential dwelling

If you can provide flow calculations for each of the uses for your project this would satisfy Item #2 on our memo form April 12, 2022. Feel free to email the calculations to me and I will include them in our file.

I will review the slope stability report and finalize our review of the sewage disposal areas.

Let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks,  
Laura

*Laura Rath, Senior REHS*

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**From:** Evan Mackenzie <evanm@bem.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 10, 2022 2:28 PM  
**To:** Laura Rath <LRath@placer.ca.gov>  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] FW: Penryn Winery CUP (PLN21-00198), Comments on 3rd Submittal

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**From:** Shirlee Herrington <[SHerring@placer.ca.gov](mailto:SHerring@placer.ca.gov)>  
**Sent:** Friday, April 22, 2022 1:04 PM  
**To:** Evan Mackenzie <[evanm@bem.com](mailto:evanm@bem.com)>

## ATTACHMENT C: Septic Feasibility Report

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Septic Design, Inc.  
122 East Street  
Auburn, CA 95603

**Date:** March 21, 2022

**Assessor's Parcel Number:** 031-220-061, 032-124-080

**Owner/Applicant:** Building Engineering & Maintenance, Inc.

**Property Location:** Callison Road, Penryn

**Proposed Use:** Winery

**Size of Property:** 42± Acres

**Water Supply:** Public Well

**Recommendations:**

My previous feasibility report recommended limiting the proposed sewage flows for this project to 2500 gallons or less per day to avoid the additional requirements for a "large system". To this end, we identified an area in the northwest corner of the property that would serve as the Primary Area and we identified an area in the northeast portion of the property that would serve as the 100% Repair Area (see attached plot plans).

The property owners would now like to explore the possibility of increasing the proposed sewage flows above this threshold. So this report will address the maximum sewage flows possible, based on the soil mantle testing and percolation testing performed to date.

The **Primary Area** is suitable for a pressure distribution system. The leach trenches will be 18" deep x 36" wide.

Calculations for West Area (Primary Area):

Average percolation rate (P-1,2,3,4):	52    mpi
Application rate for 52 mpi: ( $5 \div \sqrt{52}$ )	0.69   gal/sq ft/day
Total lineal footage of leach trench available in this area:	2350±   lin ft

Total square footage of leachtrench available in this area: 7050 sq ft  
(2350 lin ft x 3 sq ft/lin ft)

Maximum gallons per day this area can dispose of: 4864 gal/day  
(7050 sq ft x 0.69 gal/sq ft/day)

Recommended gallons per day this area can dispose of\*: 4134 gal/day  
[4864 gal/day x 0.85 (correction factor)]

\*Built into the calculation for pressure distribution leachtrenches in Placer County is a 30% reduction in leachtrench required as compared to standard leachtrenches. In my opinion, such a significant reduction is not advisable. I believe a 15% reduction is more prudent, which is reflected in the recommended sewage flows above.

The eastern boundary of this leachfield area will be the setback to the cut bank above the proposed parking lot. On the attached plot plan I have shown the setback from the existing cut bank. This is subject to change. If the cut bank is extended farther into the hillside the setback will increase, reducing the amount of leachfield available. Conversely, if a retaining wall is constructed at the base of the existing cut bank and the cut slope above the retaining wall is backfilled and restored to its natural slope, the setback will be reduced and a little more leachfield will be available. The required setback from a cut bank to an upslope leachfield is four times the height of the cut.

The **100% Repair Area** is suitable for a deep trench pressure distribution system. The leachtrenches will be 31" deep x 24" wide. The downslope portion of this area (in the vicinity of soil mantles D & E) will require a pretreatment system.

This area requires a "slope stability study" since the slope in this area exceeds 30%. This study will be performed by others in the near future.

A parking area is proposed just upslope from this proposed 100% Repair Area. The Repair Area must be protected from all grading activities. Care must be taken when installing the parking area to avoid placing fill over the Repair Area.

#### Calculations for East Area (100% Repair Area)

Average percolation rate (P-A,B,C): 37 mpi

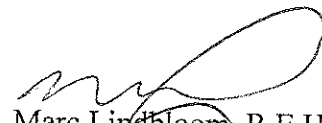
Application rate for 37 mpi: 0.82 gal/sq ft/day  
( $5 \div \sqrt{37}$ )

Total lineal footage of leachtrench available in this area: 2696 lin ft

Total square footage of leach trench available in this area: 5392 sq ft  
(2696 lin ft x 2 sq ft/lin ft)

Gallons per day this area can dispose of: 4421 gal/day  
(5392 sq ft x 0.82 gal/sq ft/day)

This report has presumed that all sewage flows would be disposed of in a single leachfield, the Primary Area. Another option would be to divide both the West Area and the East Area into both a Primary Area and a 100% Repair Area. In this case the proposed sewage flows could stay below the 2500 gpd threshold for each area. Essentially, the sewage flows from this project would be divided into two smaller septic systems. However, to accomplish this there would need to be a reasonable way of dividing the sewage flows into two, roughly equal flows. The feasibility of this approach can be assessed by the septic designer when the various sources of sewage flow are finalized for this project.

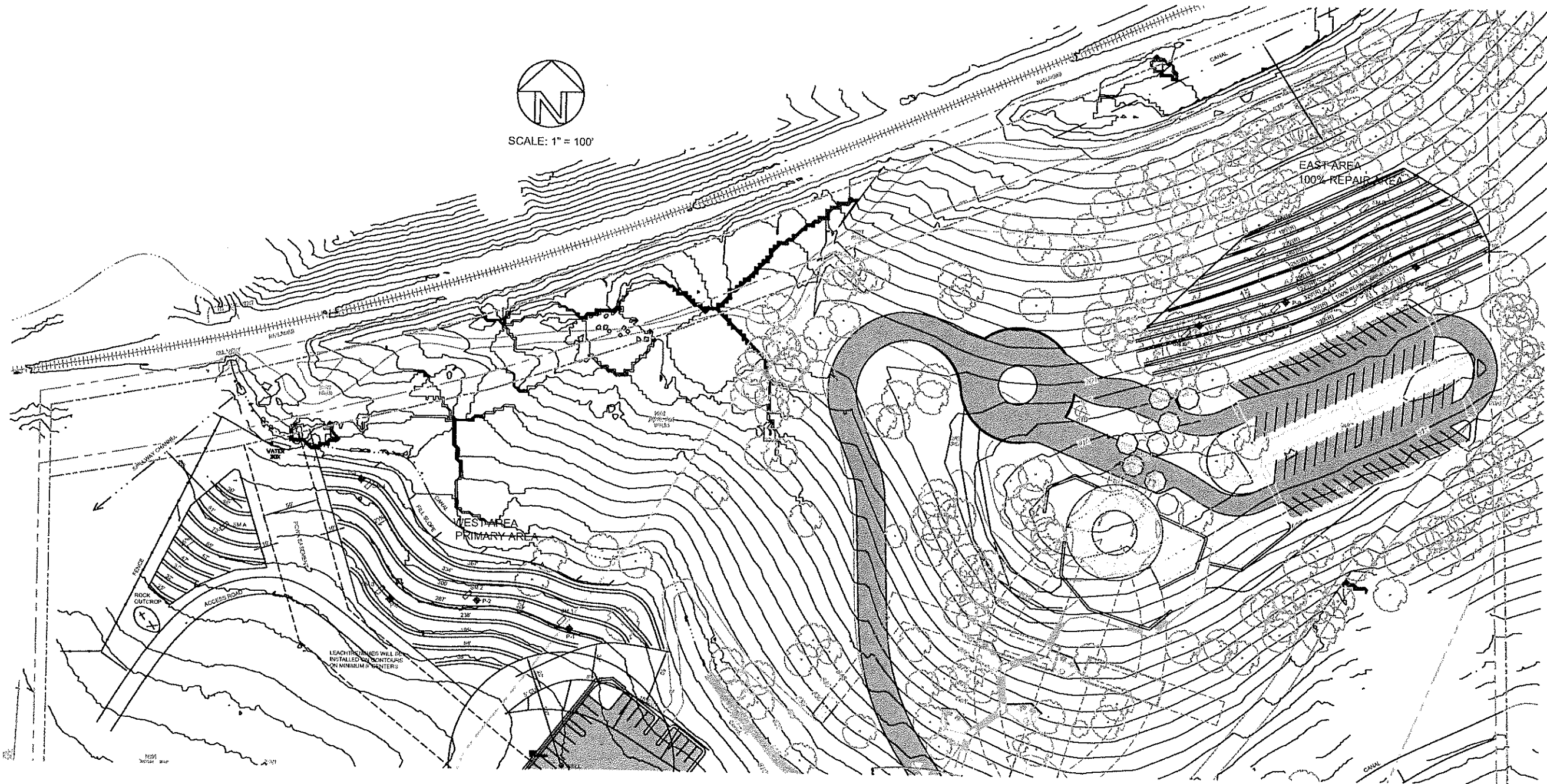


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SCALE: 1" = 100'



SPILLWAY CHANNEL

DIRT ROAD

WATER BOX

9002  
AUTM2 R&C  
659.25

FENCE

ROCK OUTCROP

ACCESS ROAD

PCWA EASEMENT

FILL SLOPE  
CANAL

WEST AREA  
PRIMARY AREA



SCALE: 1" = 50'  
SM = SOIL MANTLE  
P = PERC. TEST

LEACH TRENCHES WILL BE  
INSTALLED ON CONTOURS  
ON MINIMUM 9' CENTERS

9001  
AUTM1 R&C  
755.60

DIRT AREA

WELL

WELL

5' CUT

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